

April 1, 1992

LB 78, 719A, 719, 835, 1135, 1241

We are accepting call-in votes on the committee amendments to LB 1135. The house is under call.

CLERK: Senator Pirsch voting yes. Senator Baack voting yes. Senator Schellpeper voting no. Senator Wehrbein voting yes. Senator Bernard-Stevens voting yes. Senator Lynch voting yes. Senator Haberman voting yes. Senator Wesely voting yes. Senator Kristensen voting yes. Senator Wickersham voting yes.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Madam President, on adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Committee amendments are adopted. I will raise the call. Items for the record.

CLERK: Madam President, thank you. Amendments to be printed, Senator Withem to LB 1241; Senator Crosby to LB 719A; Senator Wickersham to LB 719; Senator Bernard-Stevens to LB 78, Senator Wesely to LB 835. (See pages 1830-37 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Conway, to open on LB 1135.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Madam President. It seems strange to open on something we have been discussing for the last 45 minutes, but I will attempt to review some of the considerations that we have already addressed in my opening, and we can now, by virtue of the adoption of the committee amendments as amended, can ask you to refer to a handout or two handouts that you have on your desk. One of them shows a breakdown of the number of automobiles in each year category in the state. I have lifted out of that a situation where you can see that there are 43 percent of all the automobiles in the State of Nebraska that are ten years or older, with the most money that those would pay at \$25. If they are 13 to 14-years old, they would pay only \$15, and at 15 years or older, they pay 10, but they do make up 43 percent of the entire fleet in Nebraska of the vehicles. We, in Nebraska, have the second oldest fleet in the nation, and that second oldest fleet in the nation, I think without question in any research and economic analysis would tell you in part, is because it is we have structured ourselves in such a way that it is very economically burdensome to purchase a newer automobile in the State of